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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Mikihide NAKAMARU et al.  
Title: BOILING WATER REACTOR  
NUCLEAR POWER PLANT AND  
ITS CONSTRUCTION METHOD  
Appl. No.: 09/978,174  
Filing Date: 10/17/2001  
Examiner: R. Palabrica  
Art Unit: 3641

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for a two-month extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

The extension fee for response within the second month is \$410.00. A check for this amount is enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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